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Subject: Re: Epa Delist folder

Jennifer,

A private One Drive site as a depository for EPA public documents, with just one man holding the keys to the gate is not an acceptable place for public documents. Can you point me to the regulations that sanction this kind of a public depository?

HINT: Did you give the OU1 Feasibility Study to CDPHE? Maybe they have it somewhere and can send you a link that you could send to me? Fonda?

In any case, please post the complete Feasibility Study for OU1 and all other public documents on the EPA VB/I 70 web site. Time is a wasting since we now have less than 30 days to develop our comments opposing the delisting of Operable Unit 1 from the Vasquez Bl. / I -70 Superfund Site, that contains 4000+ homes with 16,000+ Denver residents who live in an area that , according to newly discovered information, may be living in unhealthy conditions with lead arsenic and other toxic contaminates. EPA has refused to retest these areas. We need to stop the delisting until EPA can assure residents that they are not being exposed to harmful endocrine disrupting chemicals (arsenic and lead are EDC) .

We hear that this premature delisting may be as a result of President Trumps efforts to "clear the country" of Superfund Sites with the wave of his magic wand and not through careful, scientific study that has as its first consideration... the health and safety of residents. Until all documents can be posted to the appropriate EPA web site, freely accessible to all, please send me a link to a pdf of the complete Feasibility Study for OU1 so that I can download it on to my computer. It would be very costly if not impossible to try to copy it at the library. If you are unable to email the complete document at once, you can divide it up into manageable sections.

You seem to admit that the EPA has not fulfilled it obligation to keep a copy of all public documents pertaining to the VB/I 70 superfund site, in the depository at the Vasquez Branch of the Denver Public Library, until yesterday.

This smacks of the same kind of "casual attitude" on the part of EPA to honor its mandated obligations to the public as hiding documents on a private, pass word protected web site that only one man, Jesse Aviles, of EPA, has access to or control over. This is NOT acceptable. Public means public for everyone, not just the few who are favored by Mr. Aviles.

I look forward to receiving a link to a pdf of the Feasibility Study for OU1 or a pdf or a pdf in sections that can be emailed. It seems to me that it would have been easier, quicker and far cheaper for taxpayers if EPA had just put the Ou1 FS on the EPA VB/I-70 web site where it belongs.

Warmest regards, Bridget Walsh

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On Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 1:31 PM Chergo, Jennifer < Chergo.Jennifer@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi everyone. It appears that all of the CAG, plus others, are on this email, so I'll just reply all with this information.

- 1. **OU1 Deletion:** You all are no doubt aware by now that EPA has proposed VB/I-70 OU1 has proposed OU1 for deletion from the National Priorities List (list of Superfund Sites) because all cleanup actions required in the Record of Decision to protect human health and the environment with regard to lead and arsenic in residential soils have been completed. The public comment period on this proposed deletion is February 6 March 8, 2019. **EPA is extending this comment period another 30 days through April 8, 2019.** The easiest way to view the deletion notice and supporting documents and to provide comments is to follow the links and instructions on our VB/I-70 website at www.epa/superfund/vbi-70
- 2. **CAG meetings/EPA quarterly meetings:** While the VB/I-70 CAG continues to meet monthly, EPA also committed to hosting quarterly meetings that would be advertised more broadly to update the community about activity at the site. These quarterly meetings will overlap with a CAG meeting every three months. Our first quarterly meeting was last November. The government shutdown has pushed the next one from this month to March 19. We will discuss VB/I-70 site activities, including the OU1 deletion. We will provide instruction on how to comment on the deletion at that Mach 19 meeting as well.
- 3. **Site documents:** All of the supporting documents for the proposed deletion are available on our website (address above) and at the official Regulations.gov website. As of last Friday, these documents are also available at the local information repository, the Valdez-Perry Library in Denver. The library also has a copy of the CAG Binder that we kept up for the CAG meetings during 2017 and 2018, as well as OU2 documents and the Administrative Record for the OU2 Removal action. I am also placing a disk with the Administrative Record for VB/I-70 in that repository today. The CAG members have had access to many of these documents directly through a One Drive site that Jesse shared with them. Regarding a specific document, the Feasibility Study, it is the case that the Feasibility Study Executive Summary is what is included in the supporting documents for the deletion. The full Feasibility Study is part of the Administrative Record for OU1, which will be available at the library today. The full Feasibility Study is also available on the One Drive site that Jesse shared quite some time ago with individual CAG members. For those of you who have asked, I will try to directly email you a copy of the full Feasibility Study, but it is large, so it's possible you won't be able to receive it that way.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like more information,

Thank you,

-jc



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The Feasibility Study is in the OneDrive folder.

Jesse

From: Bridget Walsh < denverbridget@gmail.com >

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 08:39 **To:** Aviles, Jesse < <u>Aviles.Jesse@epa.gov</u>>

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Subject: Re: Epa Delist folder

The librarian at the Vasquez branch of the Denver Public Library reported that as far as they know, there were never any other documents in the VB/I-70 information folder.

This seems to agree with our observations on our visits to the Vasquez branch of the Denver Public Library, the EPA appointed depository for all documents pertaining to the VB/I-70.

If we are wrong, could you please specify the dates that you apparently had to repeatedly place the required documents for VB/I-70 in the files at the library (you said that they were disappeared on several occasions?) and the documents that you had to replace? Do you have a list of all of the original documents that Jennifer placed in the file?

All the I could find on my last visit is mentioned in the video, below.

Since you report that you and Jennifer just visited the library and placed a disc with OU1 information there, shouldn't the date for the delisting be moved into the future to accommodate the time lapse in availability of documents?

I am still waiting to receive a link or copy of the Feasibility Study for OU1. I asked Jennifer several days ago. Perhaps you could bring it with you tonight at the CAG meeting.

Thanks and welcome back to Denver.

On Tue, Feb 19, 2019 at 8:06 AM Aviles, Jesse < <u>Aviles.Jesse@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

Hello Kim:

Sometimes the information we place at the library disappears. Some of the documents that disappear are returned to the shelf. When we learn about this, we review and replace as necessary. We have discussed this at previous meetings. Jennifer's contact information is on the folders at the library. Jennifer and I visited the library on Friday and placed a disc with the deletion documents and paper copies of the Spanish and English notices of the partial deletion. The notices have my contact information. The computers at the library have drives to access the contents of the disc and internet connection.

Cordially,
Jesse
From: CAG Administrator < vbi170cag@gmail.com > Sent: Monday, February 18, 2019 18:56 To: Chergo, Jennifer < Chergo Jennifer@epa gov >
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Jennifer,
Please take a moment to check out the link included within Bridget's email below. After reviewing the two minute or less video, explain to me why the VB/I-70 Superfund Site folder at the Valdez Library in Elyria is devoid of information pertaining to OU1 and to its pending deletion.
Bridget, Joan, Christine, me and others have REPEATEDLY inquired about site information being kept within the local repository. Over and over and over again you've told us that the folder at the Valdez library was maintained with site documentation. On multiple occasions Joan and Bridget checked on that folder, each time finding only a couple of sheets of paper and this time some discs on OU2. As there are many homes within Elyria & Swansea that will be impacted by this delisting it's important that neighborhood residents have the opportunity to learn about the site and the delisting.
As the community relations contact for this site you've done a disservice to neighborhood residents by neglecting the required information repository. What will you do to ensure this folder is updated with the required OU1 documents, those included within the delisting application, by Friday of this week?
Regards,

Kim Morse

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From: **Bridget Walsh** < <u>denverbridget@gmail.com</u>>

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Subject: Epa Delist folder

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All just OU2

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Warmest regards,

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